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- ☒ 2. Relevance of the references 1 and 4 is discussed in the present specification.
- ☒ 3. The references 1 and 5-7 were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- ☒ 4. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references 3 and 4 are attached hereto.
- ☒ 5. EP 1 063 742 A1 corresponds to WO 99/46835.

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